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First Thoughts . . .

When did 'the last episode in the series' become 'the season's finale'? And it is never just the 'finale' - it has to be an explosive, gripping or mind-blowing one. Similarly, we used to have *haulage contractors*, but now they are *logistics specialists*.

Likewise, when did 'murk' become a meteorological term? It is quite common to describe the weather as 'looking a bit murky' but weather presenters now tell us that there is going to be 'mist and murk' about.

These days, multitasking is not enough: it has to be supertasking. And it is not sufficient to be very happy, or really pleased about something: you have to be superhappy. (Winning sportspeople in particular have a tendency to describe themselves as being super happy or superproud of their teammates.)

Done any clean sleeping recently? It's the practice of getting enough good quality sleep in order to improve or maintain one's health. A good night's sleep, in other words.

What about having a *convo*? - an informal term for *conversation*. It used to be called having a chat.

If you are going to a concert, beware of secondary ticketers who buy tickets for events specifically to sell on at an inflated price. We used to call them ticket touts.

And finally: digital amnesia - the inability to remember basic things, such as telephone numbers, dates, as a result of over-reliance on mobile phones, etc for storing information. Formerly known as old age.

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Did You Know?

There are two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order.

COVER PICTURE

Muker Summer

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Community First Responders Open Day

In January 2016 the Reeth and Grinton Community First Responders (CFR) were the first recipients of the Reeth Gazette Community Chest Award.

A recent increase in volunteers has led to the formation of a new additional team, based at Low Row.

On Saturday 9th September at 10.00am Rishi Sunak MP will visit Low Row Institute .He will introduce a representative of the Yorkshire Ambulance Service and members of the new local Community First Responders team. Members of the public will be able to see demonstrations of defibrillation and have an opportunity to find out more about all aspects of this community service.

The role of a CFR volunteer is to act as an "agent" of the Yorkshire Ambulance Service in delivering rapid, initial treatment to life threatening conditions.

Four times a year training sessions are given locally by a Community Defibrillation Trainer from the Yorkshire Ambulance Service. They

provide the knowledge and skills to deliver emergency first aid and resuscitation to a patient after the CFR is called out by the Ambulance Service and prior to the arrival of health care professionals.

Why not come along to find out more about this vital community service. Volunteers from all parts of Swaledale and Arkengarthdale are always needed as Community First Responders.

For further information contact:

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- 2 Frédéric-Auguste Bartholdi, invented the Statue of Liberty
- 3 Terry Wogan, woke people up
- 4 Lee Mack, doesn't go out
- 5 Edmund of Woodstock, invented music festivals
- 6 Chris Boardman, rode a bike
- 7 David Duchovny, the truth is out there
- 8 The Edge, 38th greatest guitarist
- 9 Gillian Anderson, the truth is still out there
- 10 Antonio Banderas, Zorro
- 11 Steve Wozniak, invented apples
- 12 Cecil B. DeMille, made a film or two
- 13 Annie Oakley, shot playing cards
- 14 Steve Martin, banjo player
- 15 Princess Anne, a princess
- 16 Jeff Thomson, slowish bowler
- 17 Thierry Henry, scored a goal or two
- 18 Maria Nikolaievna, Duchess of Leuchtenberg
- 19 Orville Wright, opened a bicycle repair shop with his brother
- 20 Isaac Hayes, soul man
- 21 Bugs Moran, gangster
- 22 Henri Cartier-Bresson, not as good as Vanessa the Postie
- 23 Keith Moon, genius
- 24 Rupert Grint, Harry's mate
- 25 Elvis Costello, pumped it up
- 26 Robert Walpole, 1st British PM
- 27 Charles Stewart Rolls, Royce's mate
- 28 David Soul, Starsky, or Hutch
- 29 Richard Attenborough, something to do with films
- 30 Ernest Rutherford, invented nuclear physics
- 31 Roy Castle, record breaker

Work Starts On Swaledale Cycle Route

I'm pleased to announce that we have begun work on the 'Swale Trail' - a new, easy-going mountain bike trail that will run along the length of Swaledale, between Reeth and Keld.

In the past two weeks, 400 tonnes of limestone aggregate has been brought from Leyburn quarry and laid along Low Lane, near Low Row, by Conservefor Ltd. The Settle based company's director, Gareth Evans - whose catchphrase is 'ram on' - has led a crew of six, re-dressing the surface of the 2.5km long lane to make it more even and installing better drainage.

Passers-by will have seen Les Harker lorries from Leyburn arriving with the aggregate from Cemex's quarry, which has been put into place using four dumpers and three diggers.

As Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority Area Ranger I am (trying my hardest to) manage the Swale Trail project. It's very exciting to see work start on this long-anticipated trail. Only a day after we put the news out, last month, that the funding was in place, I got an email from Cemex saying that they could provide the aggregate. We've started work on the easiest bit first. Low Lane is an unclassified, historic road, which had become uneven and overgrown. Other sections of the trail will be more complicated, but planning is well underway.

Hopefully the trail will be completed by next Easter and it will be a unique facility in the Yorkshire Dales National Park: a valley bottom route 20km (12 miles) in length, of which 75% will be on traffic free tracks. Access rights for

the trail already exist, as it brings together sections of bridleway and unclassified roads such as Low Lane. It will complement existing mountain biking trails in Swaledale and surrounding Dales and hopefully introduce families, who might be a bit nervous about taking on the more strenuous routes, to the joys of mountain biking. Obviously horse-riders, walkers and families with buggies will benefit too. People will be able to complete as much or as little as they want of the Swale Trail, as it divides into four sections with various options to visit villages, pubs, cafes, accommodation and other tourism businesses.

The project will cost £221,000. Funding has come from The Yorkshire Dales LEADER programme (£98,000); Richmondshire District Council's Economic Growth Fund (£50,000); the YDNPA (£60,000); and the Pennine Trails National Trails Partnership (£13,000).

A map of the route can be seen here;

<http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/looking-after/achievingourvision/the-experience/footpath-repairs-and-maintenance/the-swale-trail>

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More On Climate Change

Reading the Starman's interesting article on solar activity in July's Gazette, I thought it would be useful to highlight another key driver of the Earth's temperature and climate: our atmosphere. (The other influences are solar radiation and volcanic eruptions).

Nitrogen, oxygen and argon make up most of the atmosphere, and are not affected by heat from the sun; whilst other gases (the 'greenhouse gases' including water vapour, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, ozone) act as a 'thermal blanket'. As sunlight passes through the atmosphere, it warms the Earth's surface and heat is reflected back towards space. Greenhouse gas (GHG) molecules absorb most of the outgoing heat and re-emit it in all directions, warming the Earth's surface and the lower atmosphere.

GHG keep our planet warm enough to inhabit - in contrast to the moon, which is a similar distance away from the sun, but has a very thin atmosphere and is considerably cooler. Earth's temperatures are over 300C more than they would be without our atmosphere: around 170C instead of -180C.

Solar radiation played a key role in past climate change, including the Little Ice Age between 1650-1850, but current temperatures can't be explained by changes in energy from the sun. The link between rising carbon

dioxide (CO₂) in the atmosphere and a warmer planet has been understood for over 100 years, and measurements of ice core data show the connections between temperature, CO₂, and sea levels. (See chart on next page.) Greater concentrations of CO₂ in the atmosphere increase the 'greenhouse effect', with the 'blanket' of gases re-emitting more of the heat reflected back from the sun's radiation.

CO₂ levels are now far in excess of anything humanity has experienced, at just under 410ppm (parts per million). This compares with 280ppm before industrialisation and 315ppm in 1960, when atmospheric CO₂ measurements began at the NAOO station on Hawaii. The highest level over the last 400,000 years was about 300ppm.

The main human-caused sources of CO₂ are fossil fuel use for energy and industrial processes accounting for 80-85% (carbon is burnt and oxidizes whilst releasing energy); and releasing carbon from biological storage (for example deforestation or converting land for agriculture), accounting for 15-20%. Scientists estimate that concentrations of CO₂ in the atmosphere will continue to rise until we've reduced emissions by over 80% from current levels. This is easier to understand if we think of the atmosphere as being like a bathtub, with annual emissions (sources) like the flow from the tap, and absorption by forests, oceans and soils (sinks) being the plug-hole. To decrease the level of water in the bath, we need to increase the size of the plughole: through reforestation, no-till farming, or carbon capture and storage (CCS).

The Paris Agreement (with 196

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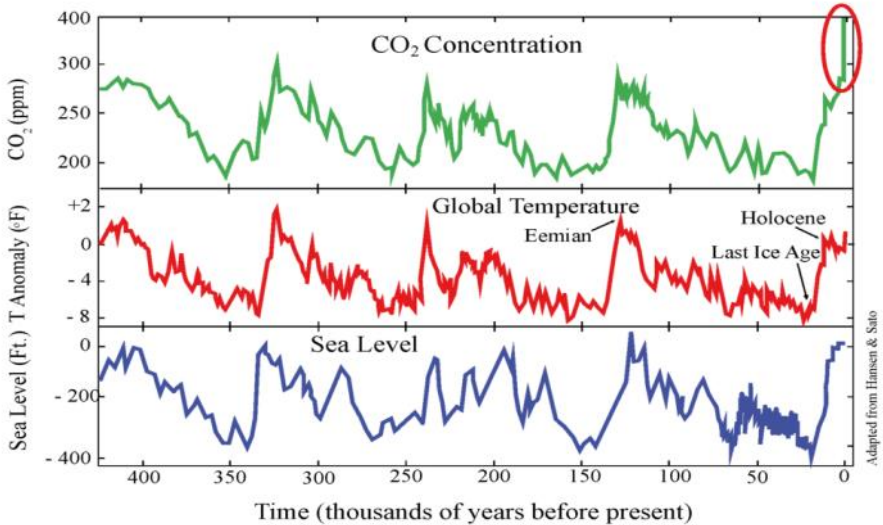
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signatories), committed to hold the increase in temperature caused by human activity to well below 20C compared to pre-industrial levels (we are already more than 10C above that), and pursue efforts to limit it to 1.50C. Next month I will look at ways we

can achieve try to this.

Catherine Weetman

Sources: UN SDG Academy; MetOffice; Dr Joe Romm of Climate Progress, NOAA; Exeter University; and Figure 1 from the Oceanographer, John Englander.



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How to protect yourself

- Don't click on links, or open any attachments, if you receive unsolicited emails or SMS messages. The links may lead to malicious websites and any attachments could be infected with malware.
- Always install software updates as soon as they're available. Whether you're updating the operating system or an application, the update will often include fixes for critical security vulnerabilities.
- Install anti-virus software on your

computer and mobile devices, and keep it updated. Bear in mind that ransomware can often be picked up by visiting disreputable sites including illegal movie streaming websites and some adult sites.

- Create regular backups of your important files to an external hard drive, memory stick or online storage provider. It's important that the device you back up to isn't left connected to your computer as any malware infection could spread to that too.

If you think you may be a victim:

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Computer Corner

With Carol Haynes of Dales Computer Services

New Computers And Geeky Projects

As promised in June's *Gazette*, I have written a short article about some alternatives to now traditional desktop and laptop computers. Actually I say 'traditional' but what I am going to write about is somewhat of a return to what I remember growing up with computers in the 70s and 80s.

Over the last 20 years or so people have largely ceased to understand computers and have starting using them more like domestic appliances. The education system hasn't helped much in this respect with the introduction of ICT syllabuses that focussed on the use of computers and not how computers actually work.

A little background, I was fortunate to grow up in the 70s and 80s and vividly remember the Sinclair ZX81 and Spectrum computers appearing in homes and the mad dash to learn how to write your own programs for them. Lots of other computers followed and at that time I went to university and spent a lot of my time fiddling with computers in the computer lab in York.

The university computers bore little resemblance to computers used today and mostly consisted of large rooms with enormous machines and lots of rooms with 'terminals' that had paper print instead of a screen, and piles of punched cards. But the enthusiast market was born and in the early 80s the BBC joined forces with Acorn

Computers in Cambridge to build the BBC Micro which was hugely successful.

For people complaining about prices these days it is interesting to note that in 1982 the cost of a BBC Model B computer was £399 (well over £1000 in today's money) - it didn't come with a screen (you plugged it into the TV), it didn't have a hard disk/CD or even a floppy (you had to buy a special cassette player). Today you can buy a reasonable laptop for less than £400 - so prices are really not so bad.

The BBC Micro was primarily aimed at education but became incredibly popular and people all over the country started word processing, desktop publishing - but most importantly writing computer programmes. This was the basis for me starting to teach computer science and was life changing. But since the 90s interest has moved towards just using computers and they have become tools for email and online shopping and few people understand what is going on - and mostly don't care.

In 2012 the Raspberry Pi foundation was formed - they aim was to produce small ultra cheap computers on a single circuit board and encourage everyone to start to learn about how computers work again and to build projects (such as robots - and anything else your imagination could dream up). Many schools have started to adopt them and there have now been a number of versions of the raspberry pi. The latest version comes with all sorts of features that make it a practical alternative to buying an expensive computer - it has Wifi and Bluetooth built in, USB ports and an Ethernet sockets and a slot to install an SD card.

It has to be said it is a bit of a geeky project to set up a usable

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computer but for about £99 you can buy an entire starter kit to set up a complete computer that you plug into your flat screen TV. It uses a version of Linux with lots of free software to choose from but you can write letters, do your email and browse the internet and even play some games. On top of that you can get to play with components - figure out what all the bits do and put it together yourself.

Since the Raspberry Pi was so successful there are now loads of alternatives on the market from other companies - some of them even use Windows.

If you are into a bit of DIY, enjoy tinkering and building things (honestly not much more difficult than building with lego), want to explore how computers work etc. I thoroughly

recommend giving a tiny single board computer a try.

You can find more info about Raspberry Pi here: www.raspberrypi.org - if you want to explore other options and see videos of how these things work type "Single Board Computer" into Google (click on Videos to see hundreds of videos on YouTube. I also recommend the videos here (he is very straightforward and explains every step in simple terms and clearly): <http://explainingcomputers.com/sbc.html>

That's it for this month. Any questions or comments about this or any other computer related topics why not drop me a line at:

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A busy few weeks with 7 incidents:

30/06/2017: (37) 19.30hrs: Team search dog & handler called to assist Upper Wharfedale Team with a search for a missing child, stood down en route as the child was located safe.

30/06/2017: (36) 16.30hrs: Team called by the Police to rescue a collapsed walker on the North slopes of Buckden Pike, treated on scene by team medics & Great North Air Ambulance crew. Evacuated to helimed for onwards transport.

26/06/2017: (35) 21.30hrs: Team called by Cleveland MRT to assist with a water search for a missing person, stood down en route.

18/06/2017: (34) 08.30hrs: Team provided safety cover for the Mintex motorbike event, A number of casualties dealt with during the day

11/06/2017: (33) 08.30hrs: Team called by the Ambulance service to rescue an injured walker in fields near Crakehall. Casualty treated on scene for a fractured ankle & evacuated to air ambulance for transfer to hospital.

10/06/2017: (32) 08.30hrs: Team provided safety cover for the

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Sunday 6th August: Beldi Hill & Swinnergill Lead Mines Guided Walk 10.30 am - 4.30pm. Led by Helen Guy, the walk covers both the Beldi Hill and Swinnergill mining sites. Following the walk, afternoon tea will be served in the Upper Room of the Resource Centre where there will be an opportunity to view our lead mining exhibition. Booking Essential. Sorry no dogs as accessing Gunnerside Estate private land. Rating: Moderate to Difficult. Cost: £5.50. Please bring a packed lunch.

Saturday 19th August: Footsteps of Ella Pontefract Walk. 11.00am - 3.30pm. Cost: £5.50 Approx 5 miles Guided walk with David Pemberton. Walk in the footsteps of Ella Pontefract and Marie Hartley to Crackpot Hall, Swinnergill and Hartlakes. Weather permitting, an option to visit Swinnergill Kirk waterfall & cave and site of non-conformist worship. Please bring a packed lunch. Rating: Moderate.

Saturday 9th September: Chapel in the Dale. 14.00 pm Keld Chapel. A Heritage Open Day event. Dr Duncan Bythell presents his new study of the history of Keld Chapel. Followed by refreshments in the Upper Room of the Resource Centre. FREE EVENT but donations to Keld Resource Centre welcome.

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If yours is selected, you'll be asked to write an article of 300-400 words to appear in the Gazette, about your organisation, so that you can tell the wider community how your organisation contributes to the life of the two dales.

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Let's Get Lyrical

This month, as it is nearly summertime, allegedly, all these songs have summer in the title. What are those titles?

- He said, "You can't use the car 'cause you didn't work a lick" - **Summertime Blues**
- Back of my neck getting dirt and gritty - **Summer In The City**
- Have a drink, have a drive go out and see what you can find - **In The Summertime**
- Oh, your daddy's rich and your ma is good-lookin' - **Summertime**
- We're going where the sun shines brightly, we're going where the sea is blue - **Cliff Richard**

For the tie-break: According to the Billboard Charts in the USA, the most popular song with a summer theme was recorded by **The Beach Boys**. It was "Surfin' Safari," (1962) in case you didn't know.

And the winner is: thankfully not that man Thorogood again but **John from Stratford** who got everything correct, including the tie-breaker. He would like the prize money to go to Gunnerside Chapel.

Incidentally, John has promised to

submit some questions for the Lyrics quiz (There John, you are committed now.) and if anyone else would like to do likewise, send them in to me.

This month, well, it's about time I paid tribute to the late, great Chuck Berry who died earlier this year. As I write this I am listening to *Chuck*, his last album recorded just before his death and released posthumously.

So, the following are the opening lines to which of his songs?

- Deep down in Louisiana close to New Orleans
- They're really rockin' in Boston; in Pittsburgh, PA; deep in the heart of Texas and round the Frisco Bay
- I'm gonna write a little letter gonna mail it to my local D.J.
- Ridin' along in my automobile, my baby beside me at the wheel
- When I was a little bitty boy my grandmother bought me a cute little toy

For the tiebreaker: At what number does Chuck Berry appear in Rolling Stone magazine's list of the 100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time?

Answers on the back of a stamp can be left at the Post Office; or sent to editor@reethgazette.co.uk. The usual rules apply; with £5.00 going to the charity of the winner's choice. **MAC**

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You might then want to pop across the Green in Reeth to the Friends of the **Swaledale Museum TEA PARTY** in the Community Orchard from 3-6.00pm. There will be delicious home baked scones, cakes and sandwiches, and pots and pots of tea and coffee. We are delighted that the Yoredale Strummers Ukulele Band will be performing again for us to make this a very special event. All these treats for just £4.50 a head, and all funds raised go towards the Museum. Time to take down that summer frock and brush up your Panama hat, twirl your parasol and come along. Thanks as ever to the Community Orchard Volunteers for allowing us to host this event in the beautiful garden they have created and work so hard to maintain.

Our regular talks programme continues on Wednesday 16th August

when Tim Laurie will talk on one of his favourite subjects 'The Relict Trees of Swaledale.' Having spent decades surveying Swaledale mapping the hitherto unknown riches of our pre-historic landscape Tim turns to his favourite subject, recreating the wooded landscape of the past. Be prepared for a tour de force.

Our last lecture of the Museum season is on Wednesday 13th September (NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE, so as not to clash with Muker Show, where the Museum will have a stand). Richard Hunt will talk on 'Walls, Doors and War - Being A New Scheme for the Dating of Lesser Vernacular Buildings in the Upper Swaledale Area, along with a Brief Digression on the Evidence for Unpleasantness in the Dale from Before the Romans to the Present Day.' I hope he has piqued your curiosity. Don't forget - as these talks tend to be popular it is best to contact the Museum beforehand to book a place to guarantee a seat.

Keep an eye on our website and of course this Gazette for the latest news. If you want to sign up for our FREE e- newsletters that come out every few weeks with latest developments do let us know, and we will put you on the circulation list.

For advance information on events, why not become a Friend of the Museum? Friends of the Museum annual membership: single £10, joint £15, family £20 gives unlimited free entry to the Museum, discount on talks, and our twice-yearly Newsletter. For more information contact Helen Bainbridge via museum.swaledale@btinternet.com or on 07969823232 or 01748 884118

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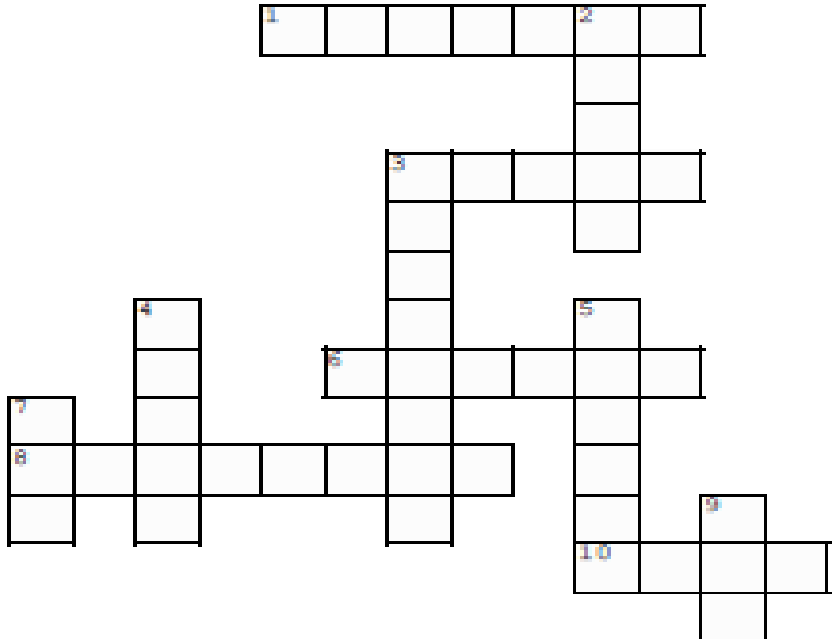
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Swaledale Museum Crossword 6 (Out of 6)

Arboreal Answers to this Quiz that links to the August lecture at the Museum



Across

1. Good with gin, and can be gathered on Harkerside
3. Tree that is also female name
6. Name of a wood that is also a local surname
8. Anti-bacterial wood used to make rolling pins
10. Lots of bushes grow here, fruit can be used to flavour alcoholic drinks

Down

2. Flowers used to make a refreshing cordial
3. Foliage buds that can be eaten
4. Hills in Swaledale once covered with these trees
5. Local young man who specialises in trees
7. Commonly used for the soles of local clogs
9. A hard wood often used to make tools

Swaledale Museum Crossword 5: Answers

Across: 2 Limestone; 6 Barytes; 8 Carboniferous; 9 Hushing

Down: 1 Flots; 3 Sandstone; 4 Gryphaea; 5 Malachite; 7 Coal; Crinoid



2 Dales Football

At our Annual
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Shawn Mattin, Oliver Scott, Jack
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Alfred Atkin, Ryan Hewitson-Wheeler,
Oliver Hird, Luke Dent, Harvey Olney,
Ben Parlour, Harrison Walker, Finlay
Andrews, Faith Andrews

Under 10s

Players' Player of the Year: Oliver
Scott

Most Improved: Harry Hammond

Futsal: Josh Luchford

Achievement: Ben Alderson

Goalscorer of the year: Ryan Howard

Gunnarside Estate Trophy: Alfred
Atkin

Under 12s

Futsal Team 1: Ben Parlour

Team 2: Harvey Olney

Goalscorer of the year: Daniel
Webster

Most Improved: Ryan Hewitson-
Wheeler

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'Dahn Sowf' I head with a little regret,
But the good friends I have made I will
never forget.

So this is farewell and not goodbye,
Until I return, love from **Daphne Rye**

Thank You (1)

Clark and Greta Stones wish to thank everyone for their overwhelming good wishes, cards and gifts etc received during our recent illnesses. Thankfully, we are now both steadily recovering.

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	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	4.00 pm	Hymns & Pimms in Grinton Churchyard	<i>All welcome- bring a chair or rug to sit on. This will be an informal 'Songs of Praise' type service</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
13 th Aug.	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.00 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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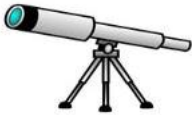
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	3.00 pm	Reeth Green	<i>Songs of Praise</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	

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Astronomy In The Two Dales

"There is nothing to fear but fear itself." So said Franklin D. Roosevelt, after finding what he thought was a raisin in his cereal only to find out it was a mouse dropping. Due to deadlines, this is being penned in July, and after last month's edition I predict the letters page of this fine publication will be full of accusations that I am a climate change denier. Scared? Not me, and it is with this in mind that we continue into the realms of the unknown.

Way back when, 2000 actually, I became engaged in a discussion, nay an argument, on the interweb with a person who claimed I was a denier of science because I supported the idea that a large planet existed in the depths of the outer solar system. "Utter @\$£*~+!," said Bruce who was from Australia. "My computer model says that such a thing is impossible." I tried to tell Bruce that a model can only function using known facts and as soon as you try to add an unknown then COMPUTER SAYS NO.

How then will Bruce react to the recent news that yet another anomaly has been detected in our solar system? For the past couple of years the search for a large planet, Planet X, with a mass of 10 times the Earth, began when

astronomers noticed consistent distortions in the orbit of asteroids and other small bodies. Now another anomaly has been detected and this time it is nearer to us.

Something about the size of the Earth is distorting the orbits of rocks beyond Neptune, about 60 times the distance of the Earth from the sun, what is called Planet X is presumed to be ten times this distance from the sun.

Neither of these objects have been seen, as they are so far away, but has anybody predicted their existence? Well the original subject of the Bruce argument was a paper published in 1998 by J.B Stoneking, who proposed that the sun's pulse - the surface of the sun pulses like a heartbeat - creates compression and expansion waves of plasma which trapped gas and dust which then formed into the planets and he predicted a planet in the outer solar system.

So, what do I say to Bruce? Well, think for yourself, question authorities, never take anything at face value, learn new and challenging things, improve yourself.

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Friday 22nd September: Lucy Ward is an award winning singer-songwriter from Derby on her 3rd visit to Reeth. She plays guitar, ukulele and concertina but considers her voice to be her first instrument. Awards include BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards triple-finalist and Horizon Award for best newcomer. Tickets £12 (£14 door)

Saturday 28th October: Tams & Coope. John Tams was Rifleman Hagman in the Sharpe TV series and was a music consultant on War Horse at the National Theatre. He is a five times winner of the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards. Barry Coope is part of the trio, Coope, Boyes and Simpson. Together, Tams & Coope are a brilliant award-winning duo. Back by popular demand. Book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets £13 (£15 door).

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Gunnarside Hub is growing steadily from the early 'seeds' sown this spring. Open every Monday from 09:30 to 20:00, find out more at www.gunnarsidehub.co.uk, or on Facebook. New and returning yoga enthusiasts are engaging mind and body in mindful, active and relaxing sessions: 'easy' at 10am and 'active' at 7.00pm. Rachel's expert guidance helps everyone adjust the movements to suit their personal levels of flexibility.

The café is very sociable, with locals and passing walkers and cyclists dropping in for a chat. Homemade, healthy and indulgent snacks, plus a wholesome nutritious lunch, draw plenty of compliments.

The pop-up shop is gaining fans, with Suma wholefoods, fantastic 'real bread' from Bedale Bakery (pre-ordering is best). Organic Pantry in Tadcaster supplies veggie boxes.

For those of you feeling jaded or in need of a mind and body 'tune-up', Catherine Steedman's holistic therapies and 'magic hands' promise to restore your energy levels, equilibrium and sense of well-being. Holistic therapies aid sleep, digestion, posture, improve circulation, reduce stress, and relieve aches and pains. If you're nervous about massage, Indian head massage

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**Reeth Parish Council
June 2017**

Council membership: Two new councillors, Allen Meffen and Sheila Mitchell, were co-opted to fill the vacancies arising from the death of Richard Beal and resignation of Richard Gale.

Cycle Trail: The National Park had now got funding in place for the Swale Cycle Trail and work, mostly resurfacing, would begin soon on the route which mostly followed existing bridle ways along the river. The clerk would request a plan of the route and anyone with concerns or queries was invited to contact the local ranger, Michael Briggs, at Hudson House.

Flags: Following a query it was confirmed that the usual practice was to fly flags at half mast on the green for Remembrance Day and when local members of the British Legion died but not usually for national events.

Highways: Coun Frankland would take photographs of the broken flags near the bakery and send them to Highways to help them identify the damaged area.

Street lights: The lights in Langhorne Drive had finally been repaired. Coun Meffen would check the number of the one out of order at High Fremington and was partly obscured by foliage.

Healough defibrillator: The clerk had met the householder to discuss the arrangements. An electrician had been asked to inspect the site and advise on the best way forward.

Village green: Nearly all the green agreements had been returned and reminder letters would be sent to businesses which had not yet filled

them in. The local police community support officer would be asked to follow up a car which was leaking oil onto the cobbles on High Row.

Property marking: The North Yorkshire police dot peen property marking surgery would be in the Memorial Hall from 3.00pm to 7.00pm on July 19.

District council: Coun Scott reported on a recent RDC meeting which had voted against reinstalling CCTV in Richmond as the cost of monitoring it was not a good use of public money in view of the local crime levels.

Reeth bridge: One local resident had commented that it was not easy to see approaching traffic when leaves were on the trees near the bridge but it was felt that most problems were caused by inconsiderate drivers approaching the bridge too fast and not leaving room for other vehicles to pass. In response to a query about the state of the stonework on the bridge the clerk would find out about the frequency of inspections.

Public events: The organisers of the Swaledale Marathon would be asked to consider making a donation to council funds in lieu of parking fees in light of the very low takings in the honesty boxes on the day of the race.

Dog waste: The dog waste bin had not yet been installed by the cattle grid; another was requested for High Fremington where walkers cause problems by putting bags into domestic bins.

Grass verges: The verges at High Fremington were reported as being very overgrown and causing problems for walkers trying to get out of the way of passing cars.

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Dales Book Festival, Friday 4th August: Bookings for popular local authors Juliet Barker, 10.00am; Susan Parry, 11.30am; and Hannah Russell, 1.00pm, can be made online via www.thedalesbookfestival.co.uk or by ringing 01969 624510. Tickets are free.

Cinema Memories from the 1960s: Leyburn Arts & Community Centre is hosting a special lecture and discussion entitled 'Cinema Memories from the 1960's - Do you Remember Standing for the Queen?' The speaker is Professor Melvyn Stokes from University College London who is conducting a research project for the Arts & Humanities Council and he will be inviting the audience to share their experiences, good and bad. It will begin at 10.30am on Friday 1st September. This is a U3A event but non-members are invited. Free tea and coffee available, to book, please ring 01969 624510.

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Jeannie Bishop

Reeth Brass Band

The band Summer Season is now well underway, but the best is yet to come. August and September are usually the busiest months and this year is no exception. Before listing the jobs for these two months, permit me a trip down memory lane. Below is a photo that reminds me of the times we had in the past. This picture was taken approximately sixty years ago and it can be seen from the expressions on our faces that we were having a great deal of fun.

Engagements - August/September

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Mon 28th Aug: Reeth Show 9.30am

Sun 3rd Sept: Tea on the Green, Ovington (time to be confirmed)

Sun 10th Sept: Yorkshire Air Ambulance Concert, St. Andrew's Grinton (Reeth Brass Band and Brompton-on-Swale Ladies Choir)

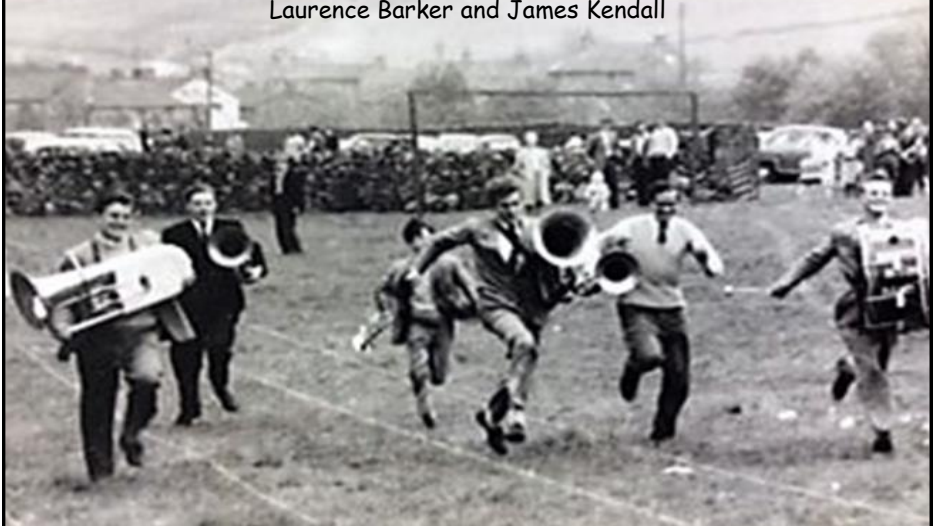
Sat 16th Sep: Eggleston Show 1.00pm

The Masham Sheep Fair Sunday, usually falls in September. This year it falls on 1st October and the band will play from 1.45pm.

Irwin Blenkiron

Reeth Sports - The Band Race - late 1950s

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Council membership: The vacancy arising from the resignation of Coun Alderson had been advertised and as no-one had requested an election the council had been given permission to co-opt a new member: Jo Fletcher-Lee.

Defibrillator: The council's application for funding from the British Heart Foundation had been accepted and the equipment had now been purchased. Funding was still required for the cabinet and it was intended to apply for this to the Area Partnership Fund.

Moor Road: Following the May meeting when concerns had been raised about parking alongside the Moor Road, Coun Barningham had put up 'residents only' signs on the verge which seemed to be improving the situation.

Village green registration: Coun Coates reported that the application to amend the wrongly registered area at Crackpot had now been completed and was ready to be signed and delivered to the county council.

Emergency services: Particular concerns were raised over the non-emergency 101 number which was felt to be 'not fit for purpose' and was often not answered for long periods. Coun Blackie had discussed this with the Police and Crime Commissioner and reported that she was aware of the inadequacy of the service. Coun Blows understood that more staff were being moved into that area in order to improve standards.

Ward Boundary Review: Coun Blackie would circulate a possible way of managing the proposed boundary changes to keep the upper dales

parishes together in appropriate groupings with similar communities.

Swale Trail: The National Park had now got funding in place for the Swale Cycle Trail and work would begin soon on the route along the river. Any queries should be sent to the local ranger, Michael Briggs, at Hudson House in Reeth. Councillors hoped that this would lead to better improvements on the stretch of path at Low Houses which had not been previously maintained by the YDNPA as it was technically a county council road.

Highways matters: Several items would be reported or re-reported to Highways, including dangerously overgrown bushes opposite the junction with Stainton Lane and the problems with speeding on the road coming into Grinton from the moor. Particular concerns were raised over the subsidence near Ellerton Abbey Farm which Coun Blows had been following up. Although Highways were aware of the situation they seemed to be doing little apart from monitoring it and there was no indication of when repairs would be carried out. Coun Blackie would try to arrange a site meeting with councillors and a representative from Highways to demonstrate the extent of the problems.

Next meeting: 7.15pm on Monday, September 4, in the parish hall.

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Mary Eleanor's father, George Bowes, had married twice, losing his first wife after less than three months. After that he threw himself into improving his estate and building up his business interests until, by the time of his death he owned 43,000 acres of land and 40 coal mines, as well as a successful stud at Streatlam Castle in Teesdale.

Many years later he did remarry and his only daughter was born in 1749. Mary Eleanor was over-indulged as a child, and although she received a very good education, other aspects of her upbringing were much neglected. When her father died in 1760 she was only 11 years old, her mother was a virtual recluse and no-one was in a position to give her guidance.

Eventually moving to London in the care of an aunt and governess, on her 18th birthday she was married to John Lyon, the 9th Earl of Strathmore. In accordance with George Bowes' will, John Lyon changed his name to Bowes Lyon, a name which the family have kept ever since. The couple had five children together in a very short space of time but eventually became estranged before the Earl died of consumption in 1776.

Now a wealthy widow, Mary was tricked into a death bed marriage with an Irish adventurer, Andrew Robinson Stoney, believing that he had been fatally wounded in a duel to defend her honour. Once the knot was tied, Stoney made a miraculous recovery, but the tables were turned when he discovered that his new wife had protected her property by the equivalent of a pre-nuptial agreement. He now became physically and mentally abusive, starving and threatening to kill her as well as cutting her off from all contact with her friends. Eventually after suffering for several years Mary Eleanor managed to escape with the help of her maids and filed for divorce, a most unusual step at the time.

Stoney however snatched her from the street and fled to the north of England. After an 11 day chase during which they crossed and re-crossed the Pennines several times she was eventually released when a parish constable at Neasham near Darlington recognised the pair. A separation was granted and Stoney was sent to prison on charges of abduction. Mary Eleanor retired to the south of England, was reconciled to her children, and lived a quiet country life until she died in 1800 at the age of only 51. She was buried by her own request in Poets Corner in Westminster Abbey, reputedly wearing her fabulous, jewel encrusted wedding dress.

Meetings recommence in September. Tel **0743 2677 783**, or email moverley.yorkshire@outlook.com or visit the website at:

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- 4th Lunch Clubs Fundraising Cake & Produce Stall, Reeth Market.
- 4th - 6th Ard Rock Bike Festival.
- 19th Coffee Morning, Evangelical Cong Church, Reeth. 10.00am
- 24th The Damien O'Kane Trio, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm

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- 22nd Lucy Ward, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
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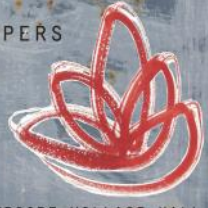
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